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TO : Chief, Services Division
FROM : Chief, Security Division
SUBJECT: P.B.A. Guards for Restricted Area, Documents Branch

25X1A This Division surveyed the problem of the Documents Branch, [] referred to in the attached memorandum, and strongly concurs in the request that a Restricted Area be created on the 5th floor and that P.B.A. Guards be furnished to safeguard the material during non-working hours.

It is impossible at this time to obtain the necessary safekeeping equipment to properly protect this material. Further, the documents involved are being worked on constantly each day by a number of staff members of the Documents Branch, and it would be awkward, from an operations standpoint, to remove the material from safekeeping containers each morning and lock it up again each afternoon.

Therefore, will you kindly requisition the required number of guards at the earliest opportunity, so that the area in question may be safeguarded between the hours of 4:00 P.M. and 8:00 A.M., Mondays through Fridays, and 24 hours on Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays.

/s/ Claude D. Barton
Lt. Col., Inf.
Chief, Security Division

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